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October 1 Tennessee Crop Production Forecast

Corn production in **Tennessee** is forecast at 117 million bushels, down 17 percent from the previous crop. Yield was estimated at 165.0 bushels per acre, unchanged from last month and down 3.0 bushels from the 2014 level. Acres for harvest as grain were estimated at 710,000 acres, down 130,000 acres from 2014. The **U.S.** corn production is forecast at 13.6 billion bushels, down 5 percent from 2014. Based on conditions as of October 1, yields are expected to average 168.0 bushels per acre, up 0.5 bushels from last month and down 3.0 bushels from 2014. Area harvested for grain is forecast at 80.7 million acres, down 3 percent from 2014.

Soybean production for **Tennessee** is forecast at 76.1 million bushels, up 3 percent from 2014. Yield was estimated at 44.0 bushels per acre, down 1.0 bushels from last month and down 2.0 bushels from a year ago. Acreage for harvest as beans was estimated at 1.73 million acres, up 120,000 acres from the previous year. **U.S.** soybean production is forecast at 3.89 billion bushels, down 1 percent from last year. Based on October 1 conditions, yields are expected to average 47.2 bushels per acre, up 0.1 bushels from last month and down 0.3 bushels from last year. Area for harvest is forecast at 82.4 million acres, down slightly from 2014.

Tennessee cotton production is projected to be 290,000 bales, down 41 percent from last year. Cotton yields are forecast to average 994 pounds per acre, up 34 pounds from last month and up 116 pounds per acre from the previous year. Producers expect to harvest 140,000 acres, down 130,000 acres from 2014. **U.S.** cotton production was forecast at 13.3 million bales, down 18 percent from 2014. Yields are forecast to average 784 pounds per acre, down 5 pounds from last month and down 54 pounds from last year. Harvested acreage is estimated at 8.17 million acres, down 13 percent from the previous year.

Tennessee burley tobacco production is forecast at 19.2 million pounds, down 29 percent from 2014. Yield was projected at 1,600 pounds per acre, unchanged from last month and down 150 pounds from the 2014 crop. Harvested acreage was estimated at 12,000 acres, down 3,500 acres from last year's crop. For the **burley producing States** production is forecast at 152 million pounds, down 29 percent from last year. Burley growers plan to harvest 81,000 acres, down 20 percent from 2014. Yields were expected to average 1,876 pounds per acre, down 224 pounds from last year.

Production of **Tennessee dark fire-cured** tobacco is forecast at 22.8 million pounds, up 3 percent from the previous year. Yields are forecast at 3,000 pounds per acre, unchanged from the previous forecast but up 100 pounds from last year. **Dark air-cured** tobacco production is forecast at 3.12 million pounds, up 4 percent from last year. Yields are expected to average 2,600 pounds per acre, unchanged from last month and last year.

Other hay production in **Tennessee** is estimated at 3.74 million tons, down 3 percent from last year. Yields are forecast to average 2.20 tons per acre, unchanged from last year.

**CROP PRODUCTION SUMMARY, October 1
TENNESSEE AND UNITED STATES**

Crops	Area Planted ¹		Area Harvested		Yield Per Acre			Production	
	2014	2015	2014	2015 ²	2014	2015		2014	2015
						Sep 1 ¹	Oct 1 ²		
	TENNESSEE								
	(1,000 acres)	(1,000 acres)	(1,000 acres)	(1,000 acres)	(bushels)	(bushels)	(bushels)	(1,000 bushels)	(1,000 bushels)
Corn ³	920	770	840	710	168.0	165.0	165.0	141,120	117,150
Soybeans ³	1,640	1,760	1,610	1,730	46.0	45.0	44.0	74,060	76,120
Wheat, Winter ³⁴	530	455	475	395	66.0	68.0	--	31,350	26,860
	(1,000 acres)	(1,000 acres)	(1,000 acres)	(1,000 acres)	(tons)	(tons)	(tons)	(1,000 tons)	(1,000 tons)
Hay:									
Other, All	--	--	1,750	1,700	2.20	--	2.20	3,850	3,740
	(acres)	(acres)	(acres)	(acres)	(pounds)	(pounds)	(pounds)	(1,000 pounds)	(1,000 pounds)
Cotton ⁵	275	155	270	140	878	960	994	494	290
Tobacco:									
All	--	--	24,250	20,800	2,151	2,143	2,169	52,155	45,120
Burley	--	--	15,500	12,000	1,750	1,600	1,600	27,125	19,200
Dark-Fire Cured	--	--	7,600	7,600	2,900	3,000	3,000	22,040	22,800
Dark-Air Cured	--	--	1,150	1,200	2,600	2,600	2,600	2,990	3,120
	UNITED STATES								
	(1,000 acres)	(1,000 acres)	(1,000 acres)	(1,000 acres)	(bushels)	(bushels)	(bushels)	(1,000 bushels)	(1,000 bushels)
Corn ³	90,597	88,381	83,136	80,664	171.0	167.5	168.0	14,215,532	13,554,923
Soybeans ³	83,276	83,205	82,591	82,429	47.5	47.1	47.2	3,927,090	3,887,721
Wheat, Winter ³⁴	42,409	39,461	32,299	32,257	42.6	42.5	--	1,377,216	1,370,188
	(1,000 acres)	(1,000 acres)	(1,000 acres)	(1,000 acres)	(tons)	(tons)	(tons)	(1,000 tons)	(1,000 tons)
Hay:									
Other, All	--	--	38,647	38,202	2.03	--	2.07	78,352	79,187
	(acres)	(acres)	(acres)	(acres)	(pounds)	(pounds)	(pounds)	(1,000 pounds)	(1,000 pounds)
Cotton ⁵	11,037	8,556	9,347	8,166	838	789	784	16,319	13,338
Tobacco:									
All	--	--	378,360	328,950	2,316	2,136	2,148	876,415	706,602
Burley	--	--	101,500	81,000	2,100	1,875	1,876	213,160	151,985
Dark-Fire Cured	--	--	18,630	17,750	3,175	3,199	3,209	59,146	56,960
Dark-Air Cured	--	--	6,150	6,200	2,844	2,681	2,842	17,490	17,620

¹ Commodities with estimates not available are (denoted by "--"). ² Forecasted. ³ Area harvested represents grain. ⁴ Includes area planted in preceding fall. ⁵ Production in 480-lb. net weight bales. U.S. production includes American-Pima cotton.